

From: Robert Burchette
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/31/03 6:26PM
Subject: 35% Rule, decrease it not raise it

please don't increase the 35% rule....enough is enough.....this is not about entertainment programming
it is about news and information....we need more voices and points of view not fewer!!!

ROBERT BURCHETTE
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From: Rico Rivera
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 6/3/03 3:01AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Rico Rivera (colossusnt@netscape.net) writes:

Bravo Sir. Your eloquent speech dissenting from the new rules the FCC has adopted governing the acquisition of media outlets was inspiring. Keep up the great work!

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From: Richard Holland
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/28/03 9:12PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Richard Holland (holland3@cox.net) writes:

STOP media deregulation!!!

I am a US citizen. You are sworn to serve citizens like ME, not corporate interests.

STOP media deregulation NOW!!!

Respectfully,
Richard Holland
Phoenix, AZ

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From: Richard Fenton
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 6/1/03 11:11PM
Subject: Hold the Line

Commissioner Adelstein:

Please oppose the pending move by the FCC to relax restrictions on the number of media outlets that can be owned by a single company. Such a move surely would reduce the diversity and objectivity of information and subvert the democratic process.

Richard Fenton
135 Spring Street
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
fenton@nycap.rr.com

From: Rex Mayreis
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 4:42PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Rex Mayreis (rmayreis@earthlink.net) writes:

Thanks for your opposition to the proposed FCC changes. Your opposition has been tireless and so very admirable. Here is the message I am sending 3 of your fellow board members:

Recent trends in large national companies buying out local radio stations are a great threat to an open discussion of ideas, both local and national. The FCC must NOT make the proposed rule change that has been proposed. I strongly urge the Board to reject this plan.

While I get my news primarily from the radio and newspaper, the same threat exists in television and other media. Even the Internet can be co-opted, as search engines lead people to heavily financed web sites that pay their way into being listed first. Though the Internet gives more people a chance to speak, the reality is that the traditional media are still what most people pay attention to, and I see our citizens becoming more and more naive and unquestioning of what the mainstream is saying.

Please support openness and diversity of ideas!

Sincerely,
Rex Mayreis

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From: Ray Snyder
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/29/03 1:08AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Ray Snyder (raysnyder@earthlink.net) writes:

Please reconsider your decision to hold the Vote on ownership consolidation. This vote may be bad for the Public Intrest. I know your career could be damaged by doing this, but the public trust should superseed Republican desires. Maybe you could postpone the vote and even if nesessary grant an execption for The President's buddies.

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From: Ray Sliter
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 6/3/03 1:10AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Ray Sliter (raywilly@hotmail.com) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,
Although it followed bad news, your speech (thanks to C-SPAN) motivated me to the highest degree. I wrote to both my Senators, my Representative, and to Mr. Powell. It is a dark day, but as you say, the fight is not over. Please run for president.

Sincerely,
Ray Sliter

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Remote IP address: 207.94.238.222

From: Ray Pelletier
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/25/03 4:14AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Ray Pelletier (rpelletier@patriot.net) writes:

Advertising Sound Levels

I thought there were rules regarding the sound level of TV advertising being no greater than that of the station programming. If there isn't there should be. Virtually every commercial is louder than the programming and I have to reduce them or mute them. It is extremely annoying.

Can you do something about that - either by enforcing existing rules or creating one?

I and many others would appreciate it.
Thanks.

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From: Ramzi Obeid
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 6:57PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Ramzi Obeid (rsobeid@aol.com) writes:

Dear Mr. Adelstein:

As a citizen and co-owner of the airwaves, I write to you in strong opposition to proposed "reforms" of media rules and regulations in our country. These changes will only serve to concentrate media and airwaves in fewer and fewer hands. This will enable corporations, who do not necessarily have the public interest in mind, to monopolize instruments of information dissemination, will lead to undemocratic media and limit the political and social debate.

In fact I firmly believe that our country should be heading in the opposite direction and should encourage smaller and more independent voices and opinions to be heard and seen.

The media in the United States is in danger of becoming similar to those of dictatorial regimes in the third world and the fascist and communist systems prevalent in Europe in the period between the two world wars and during the cold war.

Before voting on such drastic changes, the commission should allow further time for a serious public debate on the complex issues involved.

Thank you for your attention.

With kindest regards,

Ramzi Obeid - Fremont, California

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From: Rachel M Hervey
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 6/3/03 12:30AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Rachel M Hervey (RakalMarie@aol.com) writes:

Bravo. Listened to you on C-Span tonight, 6-2-03. Stay with it. We are so lucky to have you. We don't need any more Clear Channels or Monopolies like them. Sincerely

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From: R. Whitney Chrisler
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 4:15PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

R. Whitney Chrisler (chrislers@swbell.net) writes:

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I've never written to anyone regarding pending legislation or government rule changes but I believe that there is a line that must not be crossed. When I balance the desire to give media oligopolies a little more in economies of scale versus the need of the people to maintain a diversity in the sources of information they have, I can reach only one conclusion. You should vote against the upcoming rule changes. Please draw the line here.

Thank you,
Whitney Chrisler

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From: R. Marchese
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 7:22PM
Subject: Corporate control

Dear Commissioner Adelstein

There is not enough diversity in the issuance of licenses for our broadcast spectrum.

Too few entities influence far too much of our spectrum. I want our nation to regain its ability to be informed.

The only way I found out about the impending hearing, to allow a corporation to control even more of what we hear, see and read, was through NPR.

What else are we not being notified about?

We also need a History channel, a Science channel, a Traffic channel etc.

You can drive for hours and not learn anything.

Our spectrum is not being used wisely. It is, for the most part, a wasteland.

Richard Marchese
10 Windsor Court
Fairfield, NJ 07004

From: Porter Raper
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 2:00PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Porter Raper (praper@pcc.edu) writes:

Commissioner Adelstein:

I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate your work to stop the proposed regulations changes, and wanted to share with you a note I sent to Chairman Powell and his supporting commissioners:
Good luck with this important battle.

Chairman Powell:

I must register my alarm about the current FCC regulation changes that are being advocated. I realize that your philosophy is dicated by a dedication to the free market, but you must realize that the accumulation of power and control in the hands of a small minority of companies and individuals will diminish, not increase, the free exchange of ideas that is so critical to our democracy. Your philosophy favors the rights of the very powerful at the expense of the rights of individual Americans, and this ultimately is the problem that Theodore Roosevelt realized: unfettered capitalism **WILL** result in serious corruption and degradation of our democracy. We need to encourage a diversity of viewpoints and ideas in the marketplace of ideas, and your proposed changes will result in the opposite. The fact that this entire issue has been woefully underreported in the large press (I watch TV news regularly, and have yet to see a story on this) is chilling proof of what happens when the powerful control media information.

I implore you to reconsider this dangerous course of action.

Sincerely,
Porter Raper

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From: Phyllis Herrick
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/28/03 7:36AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Phyllis Herrick (pherrick@tauran.net) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,

Having seen the May 27th Hearing on C-Span, I want to let you know that I strongly oppose the rules changes that are set to take place next week! I think they will seriously threaten our Freedom of Speech! Please do all you can to keep these changes from taking place. I am sending you a Fax which I hope you receive today.

Thank you, Phyllis Herrick

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From: Peter Wernsdorfer
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/29/03 2:25PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Peter Wernsdorfer (pete@wernsdorfer.com) writes:

Mr. Adelstein:

I have written to Mr. Powell expressing my opposition to further deregulation of the media in the United States. Please note I am against it and support your position on this issue.

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From: Peter Stoll
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/31/03 3:47PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Peter Stoll (peterstoll@attbi.com) writes:

Vote AGAINST!

You will, as a so-called 'Public Servant', be held accountable.

Thanks,

Peter Stoll

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From: Perla M. Zerboni
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/28/03 5:41PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Perla M. Zerboni (percar2@lycos.com) writes:

Thank you for your leadership in speaking out for real freedom of expression, if we allow this new giveaway to the corporate media, we will find ourselves without a voice, only the corporate voice, the greed of corporate moguls will end with any resemblance of a free press. Thank you for speaking out and making us aware. I have written and called friends as you requested, I have contacted Mr. Powell, but I have a feeling that our letters to him count for little. Thank you again for your defense of a real free media.
Perla and Eduardo Zerboni

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From: Penny Van Kampen
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 4:42PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Penny Van Kampen (pennyvk@aol.com) writes:

Mr. Adelstein;

In the big picture, the people with the biggest microphone will have the most influence over American lives.

Who do you want that to be?

Penny Van Kampen
Edina, Minnesota

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From: paul scaglione
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/31/03 11:36AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

paul scaglione (pscaglione@earthlink.net) writes:

Please vote NO on Chairman Powell's proposal to consolidate the public airways into the hands of a few media moguls whose agenda is profit and control of information. This is a reckless, stupid, proposal. The airways are public property, we the citizens of this nation 'own' them. I strongly oppose Mr. Powell's efforts, please vote NO; this is a threat to our democracy.

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From: paul roman
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/31/03 12:28PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

paul roman (paulyboy@earthlink.net) writes:

This is the end of Democracy in America.
Is this the Legacy you want for our children?
Please break up the media monopoly.

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From: Paul Nicholson
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 12:18PM
Subject: Don't be Rupert Murdoch's lackey

Dear Jonathan,

The FCC proposals to increase the power of large media company are a detriment to our American democracy. They will not serve the public interest.

They will server the self interests of a few large corporations and the politicians who benefit from their corporate "bribes", otherwise known as campaign contributions.

I urge you to oppose proposals to lift or loosen restrictions on large media companies. Instead more should be done to assure diversity in our broadcast media - remember they are the public airwaves.

Sincerely,
Paul Nicholson
Thousand Oaks California

From: Paul Hawkins
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 6/3/03 5:19AM
Subject: June 2, 2003 Media Decision

To: The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein
Fr: Paul Hawkins PE PS
75 Ridge Top Circle
Doylestown, Ohio 44230

Thank you for your stand in defense of our freedom of speech. Your delivery and content contained excellent reasoning and a compassion for protecting the freedom the people of America. It is so sad that other FCC members are blind to the steps they take that they fail to see the error of their way. Placing America's freedom in the hands of a few media giants is a certain way to stifle diversity of viewpoints that helps keep people informed. Your delivery was excellent and your points represent my position much more accurately than I could ever express. My hope is that Congress will take the necessary steps to overturn the decision.

Thank You!

From: Paul Chadwick
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 6:18PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Paul Chadwick (pnchad@earthlink.net) writes:

Keep pushing! The airwaves belong to the PEOPLE.
Thanks

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From: Paul Barton
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 6:14PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Paul Barton (pwbarton1@attbi.com) writes:

Please vote against larger ownership. Sine the rules have been relaxed we have empty radio station buildings housing transmitters and no people. There is no local news- it all comes from some far away place to many stations and local event get no coverage. It used to be that when a shool bus was going to be late they could call the local station and the word got out to the people.

All you have done is may the rich richer and the service to the local community is non existant.

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From: Patrick J. Prince
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/28/03 11:56AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Patrick J. Prince (charmingprincz@aol.com) writes:

Dear Mr Adelstein;

I am against the consolitation of the media into the control of a few. We need a diversity of opinion. We only grow when there is competition.

Patrick J. Prince

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Remote IP address: 152.163.252.198

From: Orville L. Dietze
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/29/03 9:32PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Orville L. Dietze (dimonduck@aol.com) writes:

Please do not allow what little remains of our tv, radio, and other media be condensed any further.

Hitler said, "Control what a man reads and you will control what he thinks. Control what he thinks and you control the man".

In times to come not all men may be honorable.

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From: Nona Cleland
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: 5/30/03 3:01PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Nona Cleland (ncleland%erols.com) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein:

I want to let you know that I do not favor an expansion of the right of broadcasters to own more stations than they presently do.

I find the arguments on the availability of other sources of information utterly specious. The airways belong to the people, and we should not have to pay through Internet access or cable to obtain alternative viewpoints.

I hope the FCC rejects the wrongheaded move to extend momopoly ownership.

Thank you for you attention.

Sincerely,

Nona Cleland

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